



2018 Annual Report



Strategic Goals

- 1) Build honest and open internal and external relationships through open communication, inclusion and trust.
- 2) Implement industry standards to obtain and maintain infrastructure that addresses rapidly changing needs.
- 3) Develop innovative approaches to prevent and reduce crime.
- 4) Create a flexible workforce that addresses community needs and enhances employee morale through training and health and wellness programming.

Mission

Working in partnership with our community to deliver exceptional police services with professionalism and fairness.

From the Chief

It is an honor to serve as Chief of the Wichita Police Department (WPD). The WPD proves to be a great organization time-and-time again. As our employees show this every day with their hard work. As Chief, I receive countless “thank you” notes and appreciation comments from the Wichita community on the positive services received by WPD staff.

Additional staffing, training and equipment were a benchmark this year. It is my goal as Chief to continue the advancements of the WPD and to continue evaluating law enforcement practices and ensuring the WPD are operating with best practices.

Policing has become one of the most scrutinized professions in the World and it takes special people to be successful. We have an incredibly dedicated staff in this organization, and I am proud of each one of them.

I am excited to see the continued progress of the WPD into 2019.

City Leaders

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Mayor Jeff Longwell

Mayor Jeff Longwell was elected into office in April 2015. He is a long-time resident of Wichita. He grew up in a west-side neighborhood, and attended West High School and Wichita State University.

Mayor Longwell began his community involvement as a member of the Maize School Board of Education. He served there for 12 years, during which time he served as President and Vice-President, as well as in a governmental relations role. These experiences led to his interest in running for City Council, to which he was elected as a District IV Council Member in April 2007.

Mayor Longwell's goals and objectives are to move the City of Wichita forward by promoting economic development among city and county lines, generating jobs, and creating a business-friendly environment. Mayor Longwell has championed many issues related to improving the community including governmental accountability, accessibility and transparency, economic development and job creation, strategic regional partnerships, quality of life issues, a strong infrastructure and public transit.

Mayor Longwell and his wife, Susie, have an adult daughter and twin adult sons, two daughters-in-law, a son-in-law and two granddaughters.

City Council



Brandon Johnson
District I



Jeff Blubaugh
District IV



Becky Tuttle
District II



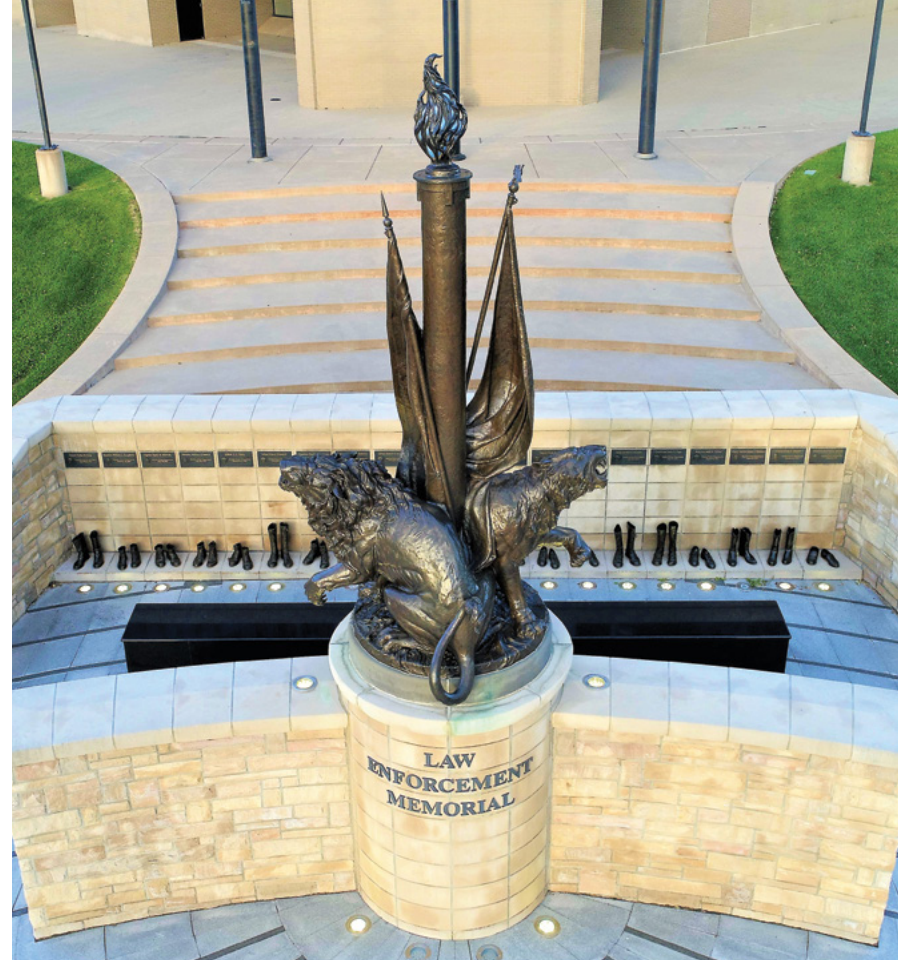
Bryan Frye
District V



James Clendenin
District III



Cindy Claycomb
District VI





City Manager **Robert Layton**

City Manager Robert Layton has been involved in local government management for more than 35 years. He became Wichita's City Manager on February 2, 2009. He served as City Manager from 1984 to 2008 in Urbandale, IA. Before going to Urbandale, he was an assistant to the City Manager in Des Moines, IA from 1980 to 1984; prior to that, he was a budget analyst and public management intern for Kansas City, MO.

Layton earned a graduate degree in Public Administration from Syracuse University, a bachelor's degree in Public Administration from Drake University.

Layton is a member of the International City/County Management Association, a former President of the Iowa City/County Management Association, and a former executive board member of the Iowa League of Cities.

Layton's professional activities include: Chair of the City Finance Committee for the State of Iowa; Board of Directors for Public Technology Inc.; Board of Directors of Iowa Municipalities Workers Compensation Association; Board of Directors for Iowa One Call; Practitioner in Residence at Iowa State University; the Salvation Army Advisory Board; Wichita Art Museum, Inc. Board of Trustees; Adjunct Professor at Wichita State University; United Way of the Plains Board of Directors.

Layton became Wichita's City Manager on February 2, 2009. He reports to a seven-member City Council and oversees more than 3,000 employees, a \$573 million annual budget and a \$1.9 billion Capital Improvement Program.

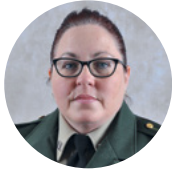


WPD Command Staff

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Gordon Ramsay
Chief of
Police



Anna Hatter
Deputy
Chief



Troy Livingston
Deputy
Chief



Jose Salcido
Deputy
Chief



Jeff Allen
Captain



Brent Allred
Captain



Paul Duff
Captain



Daniel East
Captain



Clay Germany
Captain



Lemuel Moore
Captain



Wendell Nicholson
Captain



Wand Parker-Givens
Captain



Chester Pinkston
Captain



Travis Rakestraw
Captain



Jeffrey Weible
Captain

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2018 Accomplishments & Highlights

- The Wichita Police Department (WPD) completed contracts with Niche Technology to implement a new Records Management System.
- The WPD purchased two, Small Unmanned Ariel Vehicles (sUAV). A sUAV policy was developed with a public engagement process and citizen input.
- The WPD Violent Crimes Task Force (VCTF) teams were centralized. The move was to better utilize resources and address violent crime. The transition proved to be successful with 510 cases generated, 504 arrests, 698 gang contacts, 139 guns seized, over \$20,000 seized, drugs seized and 151 violent crime scenes made.
- The WPD completed its transition to new navy blue uniforms. The transition process was several years with final approval in

2017. WPD staff had until March 2019 to transition into the new uniforms. The transition provided blanket uniformity to all department members and increased uniform type availability, allowing for a proper fit for each department member.

- The WPD made strides in the implementation of a 2016 staffing study. The staffing study included the hiring of Crime Analysts, Community Service Officers and additional patrol officers. A total of 22 additional commissioned staff were hired.
- The WPD launched Operation Save-A-Casing. This program is a partnership with law enforcement agencies at the local, state and federal levels and with the community to combat firearm related crime.

- The City of Wichita launched the Gunshot Detection System pilot project, which uses sensors to locate where gunfire occurs. The pilot project will run through 2019.
- The WPD signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Wichita State University (WSU) Shocker Studios. The partnership has proven to be essential in assisting the WPD in providing quality messaging to Wichita.
- The WPD committed to testing 100 percent of sexual assault kits. The commitment is in collaboration with the Sedgwick County District Attorney's Office and the Sedgwick County Regional Forensic Science Center.
- The WPD joined the national trend of police departments that post lip sync videos. The song chosen was Seven Nation Army by the White Stripes.

- WPD officers received federally-funded training through the Department of Justice that focused on tactics and de-escalation techniques. The training, “T3 Training,” stands for Tact, Tactics, and Trust.
- The WPD Homeless Outreach Team (HOT) received national recognition for their efforts in combating homelessness. As part of this recognition, the United States Interagency Council on Homelessness in Washington D.C. invited team developer, Officer Nate Schwiethale, to speak to federal agencies on the successes in Wichita.
- Officer Alex Bieler received multiple awards and recognitions for his heroic actions that saved the lives of two women who had caught on fire at a local restaurant.
- The WPD had record attendance in the 2nd annual Spanish Citizen’s Police Academy.



- The WPD gained national attention from investigating the death of 5-year-old Lucas Hernandez.
- WPD Officer Heather Frazier started leading animal cruelty investigations. She has extensive training and experience in this field.
- The WPD launched the community crime map. The service is a crime-mapping service, in partnership with LexisNexis, and it provides up-to-date crime data through online, filtered community crime mapping.
- Officer Stacy Woodson and his 10-year-old son are tragically killed in an off-duty motorcycle accident.

- The WPD participated in “No Shave November.” The event raised \$3,300 for the American Cancer Society. In addition, Detective Ryan Shoemaker received the winner’s trophy.
- The Intrust Bank Arena was the home of the first two rounds of the NCAA tournament. The WPD provided a safe environment for the sports enthusiasts. Only eight arrests occurred during the four-day event in March.
- The WPD officially launched the new motorcycle unit on Feb. 1. The WPD motorcycles had not been in operation since March of 2001 and is part of the newly centralized traffic unit. The motorcycle unit is instrumental in enforcing traffic laws throughout Wichita, in an effort to reduce accidents, injuries and fatalities.

- The WPD opened the new, state-of-the-art training facility located on the Wichita State University (WSU) Innovation Campus. The three-story, multiagency facility facilitates partnerships between the WPD, Sedgwick County, Sedgwick County Sheriff’s Office and WSU criminal justice program.
- Officers Chris Mains, Kyle Perry, Skyler Boatright and Chris Ronen received Gold Wreaths of Honor medals. Prior to this year, only two living officers have received the award.
- The WPD had a record year at the Wichita Riverfest with only two arrests, the lowest number in decades.

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Field Services

The Field Services Division is the largest WPD division. Currently, 439 staff members are employed as Patrol Officers. These officers are available to answer emergency calls every minute of every day. Their focus is on building partnerships, identifying crime trends, proactively addressing problems areas, and providing emergency services. The success of this division is essential to the WPD achieving its goals.

This year, officers responded to 243,846 emergency calls and the Broadway Corridor Team (BCT) and motor unit were both fully-functional.

The BCT focused on crime and criminal elements in the Broadway corridor area. They worked from cars, on bicycles and on foot. Their dedicated work continued to impact crime in this thoroughfare through Wichita, known for drugs, prostitution and violent crime. Specifically, the BCT:

- **Contacted 17,882 citizens, 529 businesses contacts, 4,680 student contacts and 260 motels**
- **Arrested 665 individuals. 895 misdemeanor arrests and 400 felony arrests**
- **Issued 546 citations**
- **Partnered with Kansas Safe Kids to pass out bicycle helmets to kids**
- **Partnered with the Kansas Food Bank to deliver food boxes to the five schools in the corridor area**
- **Participated with Special Olympics Summer Games, handed out medals to Special Olympic athletes and participated in two Special Olympic fund raising events, helping to raise \$3500**

- **Continues to collaborate with the WPD vice Unit, and patrol officers conducting sex trafficking stings. Specifically, 15 sex trafficking assignments occurred since the beginning of the BCT. Officers have arrested 121 individuals for sex-related crimes**
- **Recovered 35 stolen vehicles**

The WPD motor unit also made positive impacts in Wichita. The new motorcycle unit was launched on Feb. 1. The WPD motorcycle had not been in operation since March of 2001 and is part of the newly-centralized traffic unit. The motorcycle unit is instrumental in enforcing traffic laws throughout Wichita, reducing accidents, injuries and fatalities. For instance, the unit wrote 23,617 traffic citations, issued 1,340 warnings, arrested 167 drivers under the influence of alcohol and assisted in investigating 164 accidents.

The WPD also continued its work to address violent crime in partnership with the community outreach effort “See Something, Say Something” campaign. The campaign consisted of WPD personnel and community members working together and encouraging citizens to say something if they see something. Fliers with the violent crimes tip number were given out for



citizens to call police with information regarding violent crimes. Partnerships with the community continue to be instrumental in addressing and reducing violent crime.

The WPD received national attention during the first two rounds of the NCAA tournament that were held at Intrust Bank Arena from March

14-17. The objective of the operational plan was to provide a safe and secure environment for citizens who attended the NCAA Tournament by providing a visible deterrent as well as traffic control. Officers worked during all the activities to make sure everyone stayed safe. Officers monitored all the activities on foot, bicycle, patrol vehicle, horseback, ATV, and by cameras. Overall, WPD officers responded to 108 calls, wrote

See Something, Say Something
community outreach

Numbers during NCAA tournament

	Dispatched Calls	Cases	Arrests
Wednesday — Day	2	2	0
Wednesday — Night	2	2	0
Thursday — Day	2	0	1
Thursday — Night	21	4	1
Friday — Day	8	3	0
Friday — Night	24	8	3
Saturday — Day	9	4	0
Saturday — Night	40	13	3
TOTALS	108	36	8

36 cases and made eight arrests during the event. The arrests were for criminal damage to property, driving on a suspended license, aggravated battery, warrants, possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of marijuana, aggravated battery — dv, possession of narcotics, and unlawful discharge of a firearm.

GUNSHOT DETECTION SYSTEM



The WPD field division also continues to strive to reach the community by utilizing technology. For example, the WPD joined the national trend of police departments to produce lip sync videos. The song chosen was [Seven Nation Army](#), by the [White Stripes](#). In addition, the City of Wichita launched the [Gunshot Detection System \(GDS\)](#) pilot project, which uses sensors to locate the origin of gunfire. Wichita is the first city in the world to use this particular technology system. The locations were chosen based on crime data collected over the past three years and requests from residents in the selected areas. The City of Wichita did not release the

exact locations of the sensors to help the validity of the pilot project. The sensors can pinpoint gunfire within a one-square-mile area. When the sensors detect a gunshot, multiple sensors determine the location, time, date, type and direction of the gunfire. 911 Dispatch receives the information within seconds and sends officers to the area. The one-year pilot project will consist of several phases. In each phase, the accuracy of the sensors will improve. The Community Safety grant is funding the GDS pilot project. It is much more affordable than similar technology from other companies, providing a significant cost savings of thousands of dollars annually. The technology is part of the City of Wichita's StreetSmart approach to Smart Cities, using technology to affect citizens' lives positively. The pilot project will run through 2019.

The WPD awarded Gold Wreaths of Honor medals for the first time in decades. Officers Chris Mains, Skyler Perry, Boatright and Chris Ronen received Gold Wreaths of Honor medals for their heroic actions during a 2017 case. Until then, only two living officers have received the award.

On April 12, 2017, officers Kyle Perry and Skyler Boatright were conducting surveillance on a suspect, who they knew to have a Kansas Department of Corrections (KDOC) warrant and a violent history. During the surveillance, the officers observed the suspect getting into a vehicle along with a female. The officers attempted to stop the suspect when the suspect refused to stop,



accelerated and fled from police. The pursuit continued through Sedgwick County, into Sumner County and involved officers from the WPD, Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office and Sumner County Sheriff's Office. During the pursuit officers engaged sporadic gunfire from the suspect vehicle. Despite taking gunfire, the officers continued to pursue the suspect's vehicle until it became disabled on K-15 in Sumner County. The suspect exited the vehicle and took the female occupant as a hostage, standing behind her with a firearm. The suspect again shot towards the officers and deputies. Officers and deputies engaged the suspect, firing back and striking him. The suspect then took his own life.

Due to their courageous acts and placing their own personal safety on hold in order to save a hostage, the officers received the highly sought-after award.

The WPD also presented Silver Wreaths of Valor to assisting agency officers. The recipients for the Silver Wreath of Valor were:

- **Sedgwick County Sheriff Deputy Michael Guthrie**
- **Sedgwick County Sheriff Deputy Joseph Slaughter**
- **Sumner County Sheriff Sergeant Tyler Carmichael**
- **Sumner County Sheriff Marvin Peterson**

The WPD had a record year at the Wichita Riverfest where only two arrests were made, the lowest number in decades. The WPD were part of the planning and preparation of the event.

Staffing in the field services division continued to be a high priority for WPD executive staff. In 2016, a staffing study examined WPD staffing. One item identified in the study as an area of improvement was the implementation of non-commissioned Community Service Officers (CSO) to assist patrol officers with minor calls for service. The WPD hired six CSOs. The hiring of these officers is part of phase I of the WPD staffing study. The officers will be responsible for intoxilyzer operation, traffic control, investigating minor accidents, prisoner transports, evidence pickup, addressing miscellaneous animal complaints and other miscellaneous complaints.





Investigations Division

The Investigations Division is comprised of three investigative bureaus that are primarily responsible for the follow-up investigation of crimes committed against persons or property in the City of Wichita. Cases are forwarded by Field Services Division (patrol) and our Police Case Desk, and are reviewed by supervisors and detectives.

This year, many people focused on the highest number of homicides that has occurred in Wichita in decades. The number ended at 44. However, a close examination of the cases reveal eight justifiable homicides, which is the highest on record and jumped dramatically from two in 2017. When taking away justifiable homicides, both 2017 and 2018 tied at 36. Moreover, thefts of guns from vehicles and homes continue to be a continual issue. For example, in 2018 Wichita experienced almost 4,000 thefts from vehicles, and in those cases approximately 300 guns were stolen.

Offense Type	2016	2017	2018	Total
Aggravated Burglary Non-Residence	1			1
Aggravated Burglary Residence	13	19	15	47
Aggravated Robbery Residence	4	11	7	22
Aggravated Robbery Vehicle & Property	1	2		3
Aggravated Robbery-From Person	5	9	7	21
Burglary Non-Residence	19	87	25	131
Burglary Non-Residence Veh & Prop		1		1
Burglary Residence	384	412	332	1,128
Burglary Residence Veh & Prop	12	15	12	39
Larc A All Other \$1000+	3	5	22	30
Larc A Auto Acc \$1000+		1	1	2
Larc A From Auto \$1000 +	52	52	48	152
Larc A From Bldng \$1000+	33	35	31	99
Larc A Shoplift \$1000+	3			3
Larc B All Other	12	29	29	70
Larc B Auto Accessories			1	1
Larc B From Auto	164	281	253	698
Larc B From Building	84	92	106	282
Larc B From Person/Purse Snatch	1	3		4
Larc B Shoplift	3	4	3	10
Larceny — From Forgery	1	1	1	3
Larceny Off Rd Veh/Trailer/Const Eq			9	9
Residence Burglary Vehicle Taken		2		2
Robbery From Person		1		1
Robbery Residence			3	3
Stolen Property	39	34	20	93
Grand Total	834	1,096	925	2,855

Stolen guns are a great concern to law enforcement, as they have the potential to be used in violent crimes. To illustrate, this year a burglar with a stolen gun, shot an off-duty WPD Officer inside his home. Additionally, a suspect shot and killed Sedgwick County Deputy Robert Kunze in the line-of-duty with a stolen gun.

The WPD continues to encourage responsible gun ownership and storage. Several storage options exist to keep firearms safe and secure inside a vehicle. Additionally, the WPD

encouraged licensed gun dealerships to educate their customers on ways to secure their firearms.

The VCTF teams were centralized and assigned to the investigations Division. This move was to better utilize resources and address violent crime. The move was instrumental in reducing violent crimes in Wichita. Specifically, the team went to 151 violent crime scenes, and the following are statistics from this year:

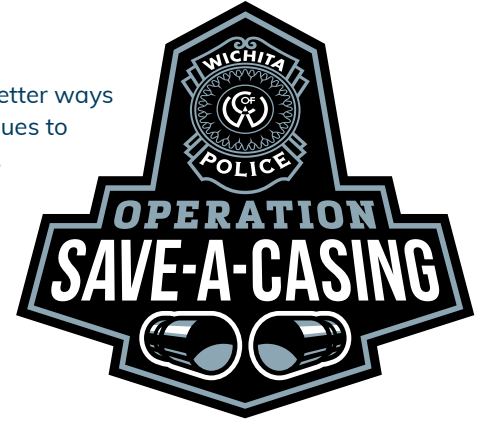
- 510 cases generated
- 504 arrests
- 698 gang contacts
- 139 guns seized
- 35lbs of marijuana seized
- 255 ecstasy doses seized
- 21 grams of Crack seized
- 8 grams of heroin seized

2018 Crimes Against Persons

	Total	Reclassified	Net total	Assigned	Cleared	Cleared by LOP	Cleared by Arr/Wrnt	Cleared
Homicide	44	1	43	44	38	10	28	88.4%
Rape	438	7	431	436	270	214	56	62.6%
Aggravated Assault	2,487	2	2,485	2,148	1,601	839	762	64.4%

- 43 grams of cocaine seized
- 142 grams of methamphetamine seized
- 361 does of narcotic pills seized
- \$20,701 of cash seized
- 151 violent crime scenes made

The investigations division continued to strive to examine better ways to investigate crime and utilize new technology and techniques to ensure it is operating along best practices as a department. For example, the WPD committed to testing 100 percent of sexual assault kits. The WPD also launched Operation Save-A-Casing. This program is a partnership with law enforcement agencies at the local, state and federal level and the community to combat firearm related crime. The program works by voluntarily submitting two firearm



2018 Crimes Against Property

	Total	Reclassified	Net total	Assigned	Cleared	Cleared by LOP	Cleared by Arr/Wrnt	Cleared
Auto Theft	2,710	6	2,704	504	722	528	194	26.7%
Burglary Non-Res	1,112	2	1,110	695	155	52	103	14.0%
Burglary Res	2,127	1	2,126	1,271	339	165	174	15.9%
Burglary Vehicle	176	0	176	127	38	16	22	21.6%
Embezzle	520	13	407	58	84	72	12	16.6%
Forgery	1,017	1	1,016	205	172	95	77	16.9%
Fraud	2,218	1	2,217	500	285	225	60	12.9%
Larceny Auto	4,409	1	4,408	192	163	94	69	3.7%
Larceny Auto Acc	1,843	0	1,843	25	38	16	22	2.1%
Larceny Persons	166	2	164	62	41	19	22	25.0%
Larceny Property	6,252	9	6,243	568	558	316	242	8.9%
Larceny Shoplift	3,732	2	3,730	483	1,061	180	881	28.4%
Robbery	600	4	596	553	223	85	138	37.4%

casings to a WPD officer after a gun theft has occurred. Examiners enter the casings into National Integrated Ballistic Information Network known as NIBIN. NIBIN is a national database containing digital images of spent bullets and cartridge casings that were found at crime scenes or test-fired from confiscated firearms. Examiners can search for possible matches and if a “hit” occurs. The NIBIN lab then sends the information to WPD investigators.

Officer Heather Frazier began leading animal cruelty investigations. She has extensive training and experience in this field. Her trainings are from the Humane Society training for Law Enforcement, Animal Cruelty Investigation, ASPCA, National Animal Cruelty Investigation School professional, advanced, and expert levels, pet first aid, Kansas animal preparedness conference, SCART Sedgwick County Animal Response Team, among many others. Additionally, she



Officer Heather Frazier

is a current volunteer at the Kansas Humane Society. Her training and experience have been instrumental in the investigation and charging of criminal cases involving animals.

The WPD Crime Scene Investigators (CSI) were also instrumental in the success of the investigations division. CSI personnel processed 1,732 scenes, reviewed and



processed 4,106 latent prints and processed 426,307 digital images. Additionally, the CSI Investigators had 724 automated fingerprint identification system (AFIS) hits leading to 760 positive comparisons last year. The supportive work of the CSI teams helped lead to suspect identification and successful charging of suspects in court.



Support Services

The Support Services Division provides services to the department as well as to the community. The Division is made up of the Administrative Services Bureau, Records Bureau, and the Training Bureau.

Much of the accomplishments of the Support Services Division carried over from work that began in 2017. In 2016, leaders identified the need for a new Records Management System (RMS). Deputy Chief Anna Hatter made many contributions to this project when she commanded the records bureau. This year, the WPD completed contracts with the chosen RMS vendor, Niche Technology, to implement the new Records Management System. The WPD has begun round one of work on this massive transition. The development of a RMS Core team consisted of field personnel, investigations personnel and records personnel. The RMS Core Team is working closely with Detectives and Patrol Officers to identify the most efficient system configurations. Throughout 2019, the

Core Team will work to setup and thoroughly test every part of the system ensuring a successful go-live in 2020.

Being successful begins with quality training. This year, the WPD advanced toward receiving and hosting more quality training with the opening of the new state-

of-the-art training facility located on the WSU Innovation Campus. The three-story, multiagency facility brings partnerships between the WPD, Sedgwick County, Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office and the WSU criminal justice program. The facility includes classrooms, a dispatch training room, a mock holding cell, a crime simulation

room and a gym. The facility is instrumental in ensuring the WPD has up-to-date training and operating within best practices. At the grand opening, Chief Gordon Ramsay called the facility, "one we can be proud of."

The training facility has been the home of several academy recruit classes and WPD mandatory in-service training. During the in-service training, officers received federally-funded training thorough the Department of Justice that focused on tactics and de-escalation techniques. The training, "T3 Training," stands for Tact, Tactics, and Trust. All field personnel received the training. Polis-solutions.net described the training as an "evidence-based police training system that combines essential officer safety, communication, and trust-building skills into a unified curriculum. These skills determine officers' safety and effectiveness on every public interaction, as well as during



their interactions with subordinates, peers and leaders. Training curriculum and ensuring WPD is operating with best practices is an ongoing goal with WPD leadership.

Additionally, as part of the 2016 staffing study, the WPD hired crime analysts and a crime analyst supervisor. Their expertise and work is essential in addressing crime trends throughout Wichita in order to keep Wichitans safe. Charles Giberti is the supervisor of the unit and has an excellent team with a wide array of education and experience. Their expertise will be valuable in identifying crime trends and developing strategies to combat crime in Wichita. Here is a little bit about the current crime analysts.

Charley Giberti

Charley Giberti is a Florida native and served as a sworn officer in the Panama City Beach Police and Bay County Sheriff's Office. He graduated with his Master's from Florida State University



Charles Gilberti

and received an Assistantship to pursue a PhD at the University of Cincinnati. In Cincinnati, he worked as an analyst for the Cincinnati PD in their Intelligence and Crime Analysis units where he and his coworkers won the 2018 IACA Innovations in Policing Award.

Shelby Blankinship

Shelby Blankinship was born and raised in Huntington Beach, California. She attended Florida State University in Tallahassee, Florida, where she received both a Bachelor's and



Shelby Blankinship

Master's degree in Criminology. Prior to joining the WPD, Shelby completed an internship with the Drug Enforcement Administration at the Tallahassee Field Office.

Geoff Vail

Geoffrey Vail is a crime analyst with the Wichita Police Department and is currently assigned to the Patrol North Bureau. He has been a crime analyst with the WPD since March 2016.



Geoff Vail

Before starting as a crime analyst with the WPD, Geoff was a crime analyst with the Topeka Police Department and a patrol officer with the Derby Police Department. He received his Bachelor's Degree at Pittsburg State University and his Master's degree at Wichita State University.

Geoff enjoys running, cycling, and spending time with his wife, son, and daughter.

Jonah Riggle

Jonah's interest in the criminal justice system was sparked during his time at St. Norbert College and the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. Since that time, Jonah's ultimate goal has been to use crime



Jonah Riggle

data in the most effective way possible in order to create safer communities and promote positive relationships between law enforcement and the citizens they serve. That personal goal is what brought Jonah here, and he couldn't be more excited to help WPD become the shining example of law enforcement can be.



Alex Stadler

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Alex Stadler graduated with a degree in Management Information Systems, M.I.S., at Wichita State University. He has experience working in IT, database management, and data analytics. Alex started working for the Wichita Police Department in the Crime Analysis Unit in June.

Also, the WPD held its second annual Spanish Citizen's Police Academy. Officer Paul Cruz, who is the Hispanic/Latino liaison officer for the WPD, leads this program. The Spanish Citizen's Police Academy had a small group of participants the first year. However, a marketing campaign launched in collaboration with local Spanish radio stations and Hispanic

community leaders led to a successful second year. Over 50 people applied for the Spanish CPA and 49 citizens were accepted into the class. The record number made the class the largest class on record for the Spanish Citizen's Police Academy in WPD history.

The administrative bureau also had accomplishments and programs develop throughout the year. For instance, The WPD launched the community crime map. The service is a crime-mapping service, in partnership with LexisNexis, which provides up-to-date crime data through online filtered Community Crime Mapping. This service is free to residents and helps them stay informed and stay safe. The community crime mapping provides specific searchable crime data to residents, allowing them to have a greater awareness of crime in their neighborhoods. An informational video to help media and citizens successfully utilize the software was developed.

The next accomplishment came from a coincidental meeting while officers were following-up on a drive-by case, but serves as an example of a mutually beneficial public/private partnership. To explain, Justin Rorabaugh, Director of Shocker Studios, introduced himself to Officers Ron Sanders and Dustin Meyer during following-up on the shooting case. The introduction led to a relationship between the WPD and Shocker Studios. Shocker Studios, part of Wichita State University, is a state-of-the art professional production facility. It consists of over 35,000 square feet of facilities and equipment. Shocker Studios students have been instrumental in helping the WPD provide quality messaging to the community. During the year, Max Frish directed and produced the viral lip-sync video and James Marlow directed and produced the Operation Save-A-Casing and Gunshot Detection System videos. Daniela Diaz-Sustaita helped design and produce a new design for the WPD Mission Statement and Code of Ethics. The new designs can be seen throughout City Hall.

The WPD also launched a small Unmanned Ariel Vehicle (sUAV) program. In 2018, the WPD completed the program policy with a public engagement process and citizen input. The WPD will identify pilots in 2019. The WPD tested the two, small SUAV's it bought last year and has received FAA Authorization to operate under a Public Safety Certificate of Authorization.



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2018 Retirements & Promotions

Retirements

Jason D. Pfeifer Sergeant
Farand W. “Toy” Hoskins Detective
Martha A. Legorreta Clerk III
Karen M Mishler SPIDER Dispatcher
Chris L. Robinson Police Officer
Lisa L. Berg Police Officer
Craig A. Janssen Police Officer
Brian Arterburn Police Officer
James Rodriguez Police Officer
Joan E. Kyle Property Clerk
DeAnn T. Mull Administrative Assistant
Robert Lacy Detective
Ketih Rosenberg Police Officer
Kevin Mears Captain
Todd Porter Detective
Kent W. Bauman Police Officer

Randall Reynolds Lieutenant
Brian E. White Captain
Edward Johnson Police Officer
James Espinoza Lieutenant
Dennis J. Holtz Police Officer
Eric J. Bastian Lieutenant
Bradley E. Wise Detective
Glenn Ludwig Police Officer
Scott A. Berger Police Officer

Promotions

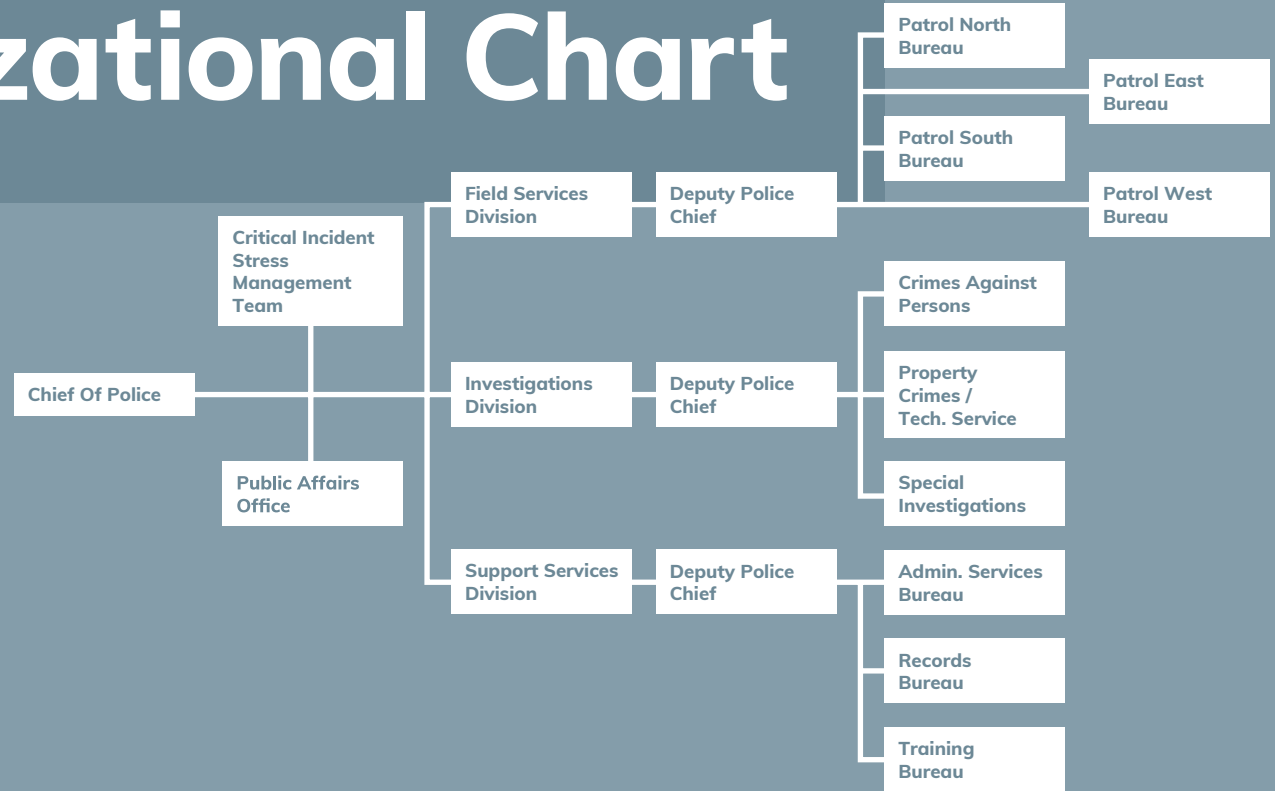
Sara Whitlock promoted to Service Officer I
Katherine Rotta promoted to Forensic Examiner
Kelly Godfrey promoted to Clerk III
Ramon Machain promoted to Detective

Promotions (continued)

Lacy Hall promoted to SPIDER Dispatcher
Nancy Bara promoted to Crime Scene Investigator
Blake Mumma promoted to Lieutenant
Kimberly Warehime promoted to Sergeant
Christian Cory promoted to Sergeant
David Nienstedt promoted to Sergeant
Steven Meyer promoted to Detective
Anna Hatter promoted to Deputy Chief
Wendell Nicholson promoted to Captain
Travis Rakestraw promoted to Captain
Chad Beard promoted to Lieutenant
Jason Cooley promoted to Lieutenant
James Summerer promoted to Sergeant
Christopher Mains promoted to Detective
Teddy Wisely promoted to Detective
Jacob Compton promoted to SPIDER Dispatcher
Erika Boal promoted to Service Officer I

Melissa Sutton promoted to Property Clerk
Robert Hull promoted to Animal Control Officer
Stephanie Lies promoted to Administrative Secretary
Keely Bean promoted to Secretary
Maiya Hagans promoted to Secretary
Paula Raiburn promoted to Service Officer I
Paul Duff promoted to Captain
Danny Brown promoted to Sergeant
Michael Roets promoted to Detective
Michael Nagy promoted to Detective
James Pearman promoted to Detective
Lenny Rose promoted to Lieutenant
Matthew Lang promoted to Lieutenant
James Bray promoted to Sergeant
Michael Lloyd promoted to Sergeant
Jason Cates promoted to Sergeant

Organizational Chart



WPD Awards

Officer of the Year

- Officer Tony Bamberger

Bronze Wreath of Merit

- Officer Skylar J. Boatright
- Officer John Paul Groh
- Officer Christopher T. Ronen
- Officer Jamie P. Schepis
- Officer Kyle L. Perry
- Sergeant Michael T. O'Brien
- Officer Kevin M. Dykstra
- Lieutenant Todd M. Ojile
- Jerry Ogburn
- Officer Derek T. Ervin
- Officer Aric B. St. Vrain

Bronze Wreath of Valor

- Sergeant Christopher P. Marceau
- Officer Tyse E. Atwood
- Officer Chad M. Ditch
- Officer Andrew Gonzales
- Lieutenant Ronald E. Hunt
- Officer John P. Groh
- Officer Wayne A. Scholl
- Officer Joshua A. Lewis
- Officer Jonathan K. Gould
- Officer Christopher R. German
- Officer Jason P. Harris

Gold Wreath of Honor

- Officer Skyler J. Boatright
- Officer Christopher A. Mains
- Officer Kyle L. Perry
- Officer Christopher T. Ronen
- Officer Wesley A. Jensen

Silver Wreath of Valor

- Officer Ryan H. Snyder
- Officer Alex N. Bieler

Silver Wreath of Merit

- Sergeant William A. Stevens
- Officer Daniel L. Walker

Life Saving Award

- Officer John L. Knight
- Officer Kevin M. McKenna
- Sergeant Brandon M Lenzi
- Officer Jason W. Reser
- Officer Stephanie J. Roberts
- Officer David A. Cruz-Montesino
- Officer Tyse Atwood
- Officer Andrew Gonzales
- Officer Joshua Levasseur
- Officer Chelsea D. Williams
- Officer Juan Espinoza
- Alex N. Bieler

Distinguished Service

- Officer Anthony T. Anguiano
- Officer Mark A. Martinez

Police Shield

- Officer Joshua A. Lewis
- Alex N. Bieler



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